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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB256

Chairperson: Senator Ben Hansen, B.

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: February 01, 2021

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB256 expands the circumstances when a claim under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act can be paid in lump-sum payments rather than periodic payments. Under current law, when an employer and an injured employee or their dependents agree that an amount due should be paid in a lump-sum payment, the settlement must be submitted for approval to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court if the employee is eligible or will soon become eligible for Medicare. LB256 removes the need to submit a settlement for approval for lump-sum payments if future health care services are not a part of the settlement.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Matt Hansen, M.